



Date of Council Work Session: November 26, 2012

**TOWN OF LEESBURG
TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

Subject: Construction of at least two lanes of Crosstrail Boulevard between Sycolin Road and Russell Branch Parkway.

Staff Contact: Thomas A. Mason, P.E., Director of Public Works
Calvin Grow, P.E., Transportation Engineer

Recommendation: That a letter is sent to Chairman Scott York of the Board of Supervisors requesting the design and construction of at least two lanes of Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road to Russell Branch Parkway.

Issue: Council members Kelly Burk and Katie Sheldon Hammler requested a letter be prepared to send to the Board of Supervisors regarding Crosstrail Boulevard.

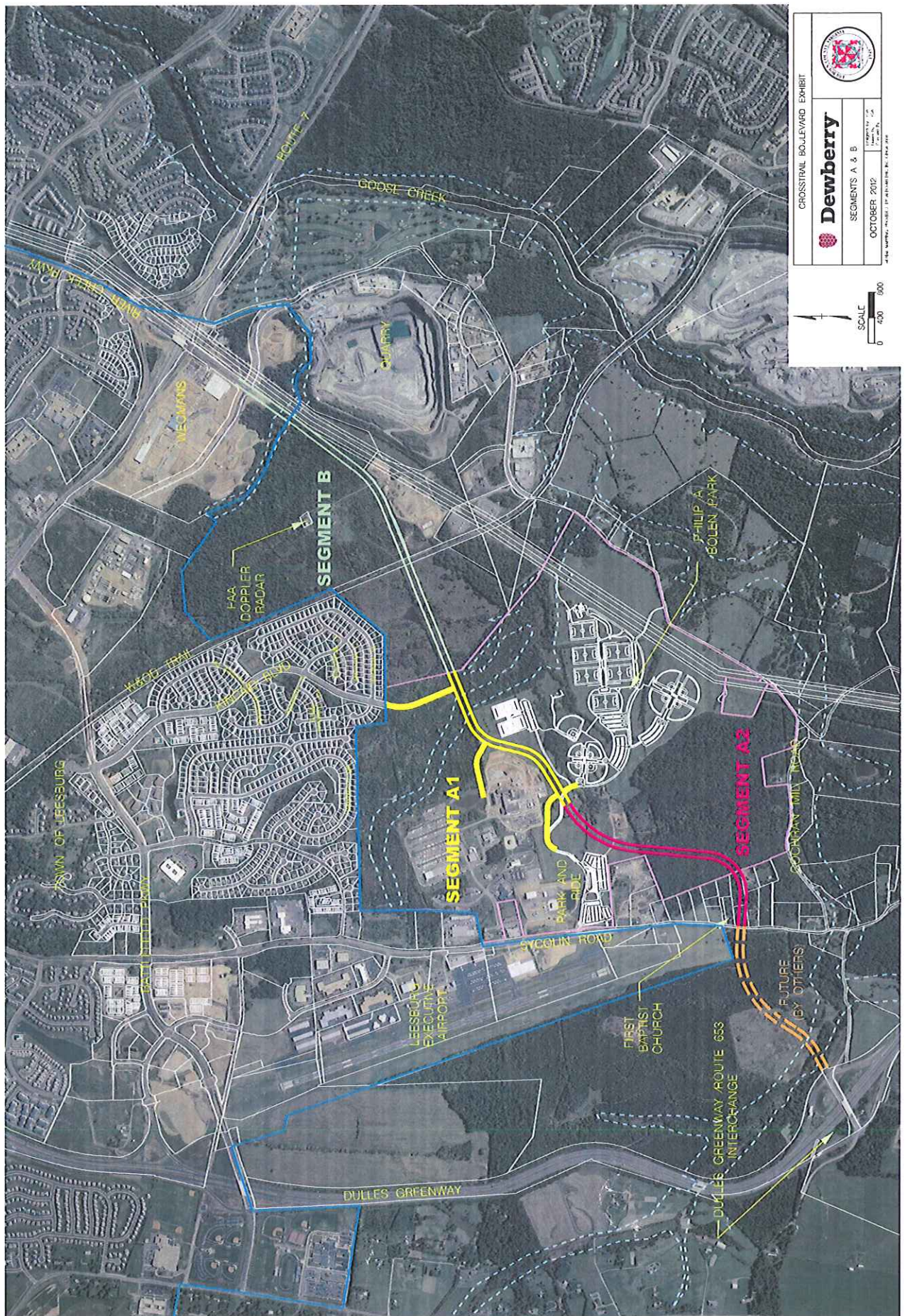
Fiscal Analysis: This has no impact on the Town's budget.

Background: The Loudoun County Office of Transportation currently has underway the preliminary design of Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road to Russell Branch Parkway. Final design is underway for segments A1 and A2 (see attached map) which are between Sycolin Road and the eastern boundary of Phillip A. Bolen Park. This also includes the extension of Kincaid Boulevard to Crosstrail Boulevard. Construction of these four lane divided roadways is scheduled for 2013 and 2014.

County staff has received a proposal from Dewberry, the design engineers, for final design of the Segment B of Crosstrail Boulevard from Phillip A. Bolen Park to Russell Branch Parkway. This proposal needs the Board of Supervisor's approval. There is currently no planned construction time frame for this section.

The Town's position as set out in Resolution #2011-037 supports the construction of at least two lanes of Crosstrail Boulevard between Sycolin Road and Russell Branch Parkway. A draft letter for the Board of Supervisors has been prepared for the Mayor to sign and is attached.

Attachments: (1) Map
(2) Resolution #2011-037
(3) Letter to Board of Supervisors



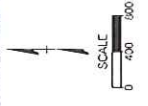
CROSSFISTAL BOULEVARD EXHIBIT

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SEGMENTS A & B

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The Town of
**Leesburg,
Virginia**

PRESENTED March 22, 2011

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-037

ADOPTED March 22, 2011

A RESOLUTION: REQUESTING CHANGES TO THE CURRENTLY PROPOSED
LOUDOUN COUNTY GOVERNMENT SERVICES SUPPORT
CENTER MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the County of Loudoun has contracted with a company to design a new juvenile detention center on county-owned land within 400 feet of the Kincaid Forest and Tavistock Farms Communities as part of a Loudoun County Government Services Support Center; and

WHEREAS, the County of Loudoun has indicated to the Leesburg Town Council and to neighboring Leesburg residential communities during meetings on Feb. 22, March 1 and March 3, 2011, that construction of this center is scheduled to be completed in the year 2013; and

WHEREAS, the construction of this center will require the taxpayers of Loudoun County to spend up to \$3 million to open up Kincaid Blvd. to the proposed juvenile detention center site, including to accommodate construction traffic; and

WHEREAS, the construction of this center also may necessitate the construction of Crosstrail Blvd. from the intersection of Shreve Mill Road and Sycolin Road, eastward to Phillip A. Bolen Memorial Park, at a projected cost of at least \$24 million; and

WHEREAS, Loudoun County staff has not yet conducted a traffic study to determine whether the expenditure of such tax dollars (about \$27 million) is feasible, except to service traffic to Phillip A. Bolen Memorial Park (which opens this spring), and

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WHEREAS, the costs involved and potential impacts to the Kincaid Forest and Tavistock Farms communities could be serious, notwithstanding the other plans for developing the County Government Center Site; and

WHEREAS, current plans could encourage motorists to use Kincaid Blvd. as their preferred route between Sycolin Road and Battlefield Parkway; and

WHEREAS, Loudoun County has created a Steering Committee to review the tract master plan and recommend adjustments and changes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council seeks to protect home values, ensure safe traffic, and minimize impacts to residents of Kincaid Forest, Tavistock Farms, and other neighboring communities; and

WHEREAS, current plans call for Miller Drive to be constructed immediately behind many Leesburg residences; and

WHEREAS, Phillip A. Bolen Memorial Park is currently accessed only through Claudia Drive.

THEREFORE, RESOLVED, by the Council of the Town of Leesburg in Virginia, the following:

1. That the Mayor and Council of Leesburg requests that the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors relocate the proposed Juvenile Detention Center and three-story office building to another location on their site, farther away from any Leesburg residents.

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2. That the Mayor and Town Council of Leesburg requests that the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors delay, or eliminate, the extension of Kincaid Blvd. southward until such time as Crosstrail Blvd. is completed from Sycolin Road to Russell Branch Parkway.

3. That the Mayor and Town Council of Leesburg requests that the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors direct County staff to use other access points than Kincaid Blvd. for construction vehicles during any phase of the County Government Services Support Center project(s).

4. That the Mayor and Town Council of Leesburg requests that the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors authorize immediate design and construction of at least two (2) lanes of Crosstrail Blvd. from Sycolin Road eastward to Phillip A. Bolen Memorial Park.

5. That the Mayor and Town Council of Leesburg requests the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors not construct Miller Drive east of Sycolin Road as part of this project.

6. That the Mayor and Town Council of Leesburg requests that the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors include screening and buffering between the County Government Services Support Center and Leesburg residential communities as an area of discussion for the Steering Committee.

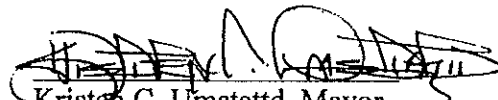
7. That the Mayor and Town Council of Leesburg requests that the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors provide the Town Council and neighboring Leesburg

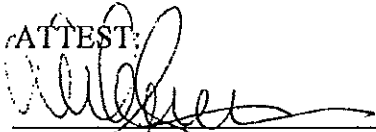
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residential communities with regular updates on the construction of any roads or
buildings related to the County Government Services Support Center.

8. That the Mayor and Town Council of Leesburg requests that the Loudoun
County Board of Supervisors provide a referral to the Town of Leesburg for any Special
Exception or related applications for the County Government Services Support Center.

PASSED this 22nd day of March, 2011.


Kristen C. Umstattd, Mayor
Town of Leesburg

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

November __, 2012

Mr. Scott K. York, Chairman
Loudoun County Board of Supervisors
1 Harrison Street SE
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PO Box 7000
Leesburg, VA 20177-7000

RE: Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road to Russell Branch Parkway

Dear Mr. York:

The Town Council and I are very supportive of the construction of Crosstrail Boulevard between Sycolin Road and Russell Branch Parkway which completes the link to Route 7. This is a very important roadway in both the local and regional transportation networks. We understand that the preliminary design is underway for the full roadway and final design of a 4-lane divided roadway is nearly completed for the section from Sycolin Road to the Phillip A. Bolen Park eastern boundary. Construction of this segment is scheduled for 2013 and 2014. However, no final design or construction scheduling is authorized for the segment between Phillip A. Bolen Park and Russell Branch Parkway.

We also understand that the County has received a proposal from Dewberry, the design engineers, for final design for the section from Phillip A. Bolen Park to the connection at the existing end of Crosstrail Boulevard at Russell Branch Parkway which connects to Route 7. We strongly support approval of this proposal by the Board of Supervisors and the scheduling of construction of two lanes of Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road to Russell Branch Parkway. We believe that building two lanes of Crosstrail Boulevard between Sycolin Road and Russell Branch Parkway will better serve the residents of Leesburg and Loudoun County than just the four lane sections currently proposed for construction.

The Town strongly supports the construction of a two lane first phase of Crosstrail Boulevard between Sycolin Road and Russell Branch Parkway. This phase would also include the construction of the extension of Kincaid Boulevard from the Leesburg Corporate Limits to Crosstrail Boulevard.

We understand that the current funding will need to be increased to support the project. This is a very critical road segment and deserves the highest priority for road construction funds by the County.

Mr. Scott K. York, Chairman

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Thank you for your attention to these important transportation issues. If you need additional information please do not hesitate to contact me or Town Manager, John Wells at 703-771-2700 or Transportation Engineer, Calvin Grow at 703-771-2791.

Sincerely,

Kristen C. Umstatt

Mayor

Cc: Mayor and Council
John Wells, Town Manager
Scott Parker, Assistant to the Town Manager
Thomas A. Mason, P.E., Director of Public Works
Calvin Grow, P.E., Transportation Engineer